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In Application of:

DONALD M. JUSTUS

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Filed: **July 9, 2003**

Title: **“LOW COST METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FRACTURING A SUBTERRANEAN FORMATION WITH A SAND SUSPENSION”**

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Group Art Unit: **3672**

Examiner: **STEPHENSON, DANIEL P.**

Atty. Docket No: **HES 2003-IP-010088U1**

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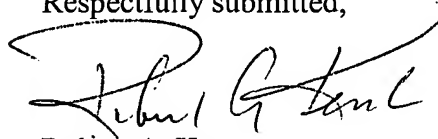
Applicants hereby submit the following documents to be filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

- Response to Office Action, Mailed February 16, 2004;
- Return receipt postcard.

Please date stamp and return the enclosed postcard evidencing receipt of these materials.

We believe that no fees are due with this response; however, the Commissioner is authorized to debit this amount and any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 08-0300, for any underpayment of fees that may be due in association with this filing.

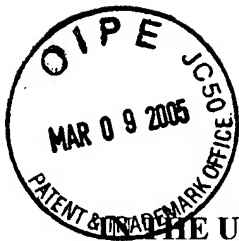
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 TO  
NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED FEBRUARY 16, 2005

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed February 16, 2004, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks and amendments set forth below and requests favorable action thereon.

As the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is due May 16, 2005, this Response is therefore considered timely filed.